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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Supplemental Preliminary Amendment is filed to supplement the Preliminary Amendment which accompanied the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) dated June 8, 2004.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date indicated below.

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Specifically, there is submitted herewith a copy of an additional dictionary definition of the phrase "stock preparation", Pulp & Paper Dictionary, Editor Lavigne, Page 414. It is noted that this earlier dictionary definition corresponds with those previously filed, and confirms that the phrase is well-known and of single meaning in the art.

If there are any fees required by this communication not covered by the enclosed checks, or if no checks are enclosed, please charge the same to Deposit Account No. 16-0820, Order No. 32107.

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